## Remarks

Applicant has cancelled Claims 1-2 and 5-17 and has amended Claims 3 and 4. Applicant submits no new matter has been added by the present Amendment.

Applicant herein reserves the right to file Divisional Applications to the nonelected claims.

Applicant acknowledges that Claims 3 and 4 are allowable if rewritten in independent form. Applicant herein has amended Claims 3 and 4 to independent form.

## Rejection of Claims under 35 USC §102(b)

Claims 1 and 2 stand rejected as being anticipated by <u>Inazu et al</u>, <u>Pansare</u> et al, <u>Safronova et al</u>, <u>Moustafa</u>, <u>Sinha et al</u> and <u>Aboul-Fetouh et al</u>.

Applicant traverses the rejections. However, as Claims 1 and 2 have been cancelled, the pending rejection is now moot.

Respectfully submitted,

Attorney for Applicant Reg. No. 45.851

LANXESS Corporation
Law & Intellectual Property Department
111 RIDC Park West Drive
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15275-1112
(412) 809-2233
FACSIMILE PHONE NUMBER:
(412) 809-1054

\sr\S:\Law Shared\SHARED\JRS\PATENTS\8039\Response and Amendment 1-1706.doc

PO-8039